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BRING IT TO A VOTE

Republicans Must Not Let the Tariff
Bill Die in Committee.

LET THE SENATORS GO ON RECORD

Mr. Teller's Course a Surprise and
Inexplicable.

FEELING ON THE LOAN

Republican Senators are being advised not to permit the emergency tariff bill to die in committee, or even to remain there much longer. An entirely open policy about the measure will, they are being told, prove to be the best policy. The divisions in the party are in a general way known. Some Senators want the measure to carry more weight and others want to carry more weight for no revenue at all, insisting that a free coinage rider shall go on the bill. The only way by which the exact situation can be made a matter of record is to bring the bill to a vote in the open Senate. Nothing, then, will be left to rumor, or conjecture, or mere threat. Every Senator will be obliged to declare himself, and should responsibility for his own actions. The country, it is insisted, wants a vote, and will not be content with less.

Mr. Teller's Course a Surprise.

Mr. Teller's course is not only a surprise, but it is inexplicable. Those who differ with him are unable to see what he can hope to gain by it. He is one of the sincerest, as he is one of the ablest friends of silver. It is conceded that he has a right to show to the country that free coinage has a majority vote in the Senate. But that is to be done on the substitute for the bond bill now under discussion. A free coinage rider, which is a measure of this nature, but why, except for mere purposes of obstruction, force another vote on the same proposition on the emergency tariff bill? Can mere obstruction be made to serve the cause of silver? Mr. Teller is pointed out, must treat with his own party on this subject, or fight it. If he is to treat with it, he is moving in an unpardonable way; if he is to fight it, he ought to do it and deliver his blows from the outside.

No Blander in Accepting the Committees.

Did the republicans blunder in accepting the committees of the Senate? This question is now frequently heard. The more experienced leaders of the party think not. They have no fear of consequences if only the courage exhibited in the assuming of the initiative is kept up. The country, they assert, cannot be misled about any phase of the matter if every step taken is calculated to bring everybody out into the open. The forty-two republican votes are not sufficient of themselves to pass any measure, and if there are particular measures upon which they cannot be united, let the fact appear of record.

Legislation on republican lines was not guaranteed when the committees were reorganized, but merely the fact proclaimed that as the republicans had a plurality vote they were willing to take the lead under the existing conditions. The republicans are party responsibility. Embarrassments may grow out of demonstrated helplessness here and there, but greater ones would have resulted if they had not shown courage. Helplessness may be forgiven, but cowardice never.

Will Divide the Loan.

The feeling in certain republican circles about the new loan is that the administration will divide it between the syndicate and the people. It is expected that there will be, even under the existing conditions, a popular response for thirty millions or more of the bonds. That response, or whatever it may be, can be accepted, and the remainder of the bonds awarded to the syndicate. The syndicate is composed of long-headed bankers, who know the value of half a loaf, or two-thirds of a loaf, or even a crumb, better than starving, they are always ready for bread. There will be pretty "big money" in the hands of six or seven millionaires, and the loan, and they will be far from trifling. Meanwhile the sentiment calling for a popular loan will have been responded to by the acceptance of the bill of that kind received.

FIVE-MILE WALK UNDERGROUND.

The Lydecker Tunnel Bore to Make Another Inspection.

The board of expert engineers considering the subject of the water supply of this city will reconvene here next Monday for the purpose of making a personal inspection of the Lydecker tunnel its entire length of five miles, in order to determine its practicability for use as a conduit of water from the distribution reservoir to the Howard University reservoir.

Capt. Galliard, the officer in charge of the Washington aqueduct, has removed all the water from the tunnel, and has reported it entirely ready for the official inspection. This information was communicated to the members of the board with the request that they meet at the War Department Monday morning.

The board consists of five members, two civilians and three army officers, each of whom was selected because of his superior engineering ability. The two civilian members are hydraulic engineers of the first rank, one connected with the water service of New York city, the other with the water supply system of Boston.

ARMING THE MILITIA.

War Department Authorities Interested in Gen. Hawley's Bill.

The authorities of the War Department are very much interested in the success of the bill introduced by Senator Hawley providing for arming of the national militia with Springfield rifles of 45 caliber, but they believe the bill might be extended with considerable benefit to the citizen soldiery. As it stands, the bill authorizes the Secretary of War to furnish the National Guard of the various States with Springfield rifles of the caliber named in exchange for any other type of rifle now in use. The bill has been referred to the War Department for an opinion as to its merits.

Assistant Secretary Doe, who has given the subject of the bill considerable consideration, has the bill a strong endorsement, but has suggested that it would be of even greater benefit to the militia if its provisions were extended so as to authorize the exchange of new Springfield rifles of 45 caliber for arms of the same make and caliber already in the hands of the militia. The bill, which has been worn out and useless as far as income continued use. Under the bill as it stands it would have been impossible to exchange the old Springfield rifles held by the militia for new ones, as the exchange is confined to arms of other make. According to Assistant Secretary Doe, a good gun is a desideratum to the militia, and the government should endeavor to see that they are all properly equipped in that respect. In view of the main purpose of the bill, it is believed that it will be amended so as to meet the point raised by the military authorities.

LONDON'S WAR SPIRIT

Speedy Assembly of a Powerful Naval Armament.

British Officers to Wear Uniforms—The Anti-German Feeling in England.

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LONDON, January 11.—Great Britain is seriously and steadily preparing for war on a very large scale, at sea and on land, against Germany or against Germany, France and Russia, should they combine against her. Emperor William threw down the gauntlet, it was promptly picked up and energetic steps were immediately taken by the British government to back up this action by a most imposing display of sea power.

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MRS. VANDERBILT MARRIED.

Mayor Strong Performs the Ceremony Making Her Mrs. Belmont.

NEW YORK, January 11.—An evening paper says: Mrs. Alva E. Vanderbilt, the divorced wife of William K. Vanderbilt, was married to Oliver Hazard Perry Belmont by Mayor Strong this morning.

The ceremony was performed at No. 21 East 72d street, the residence of the bride, and only Miss Smith, Mrs. Vanderbilt's sister, and a very few personal friends were present. Immediately after the couple had been wedded they left the house, and it is understood, started for Marble house, at Newport.

Three days last Mrs. Vanderbilt secured a divorce from her husband. The decree was granted on the statutory grounds. It gave Mrs. Vanderbilt the custody of the three children, Consuelo, W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr., and Harry Sterling Vanderbilt. Mr. Vanderbilt's defense was a mere formality.

When Mrs. Duke of Marlborough was married to the Duke of Marlborough, her father gave her away at the altar. The duke and duchess passed their honeymoon at Mr. Vanderbilt's place. Oliver Belmont, who, like his bride, has been through the divorce court, is as well known as any man in America. He owns a large estate in the country, and is one of the finest places of the kind in America. It was built after designs by the late architect Sir John Lubbock.

TEACHERS' AID ASSOCIATION.

A Large Annual Meeting, With Election of Officers.

The annual meeting of the Teachers' Aid and Annuity Association was held this morning at the Franklin school building, and upward of two hundred of the teachers of the public school were in attendance. The most important business of the meeting was the election of officers, and the following were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: President, Mr. N. P. Gage; first vice president, Mrs. C. B. Smith; second vice president, Miss L. M. Daly; recording secretary, Miss F. L. Hendley; financial secretary, Mr. John Thomas Freeman; treasurer, Mr. A. T. Stuart; directors, Miss Annie Beers, third division; Mr. Isaac Fairbrother, fourth division; Mr. B. F. Janney, fifth division; Miss S. A. Langley, sixth division; and Miss M. Grace Ravenburg, at large.

AWAY OUT SOUGHT

Important Cabinet Meeting in London.

LOOKING TO FRANCE AND RUSSIA

Trying to Reach a Settlement With Venezuela.

ADVICES FROM TRANSVAAL

LONDON, January 11.—All the ministers were present at the cabinet meeting today, and Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, who had returned from Osborne, where he was received by the queen, was enthusiastically greeted with cries of "Bravo, Chamberlain," from the crowds awaiting developments in Downing street.

The cabinet meeting lasted three hours. The colonial office says it is not true that the situation in the Transvaal is more strained than it was. The first naval reserve men have been ordered to hold themselves in readiness for service. The second naval reserve, which is composed of men belonging to the mercantile marine, have been notified that the services of some of them will shortly be required.

The Westminster Gazette this afternoon says that it learns that as a result of the situation in the Transvaal, the Marquis of Salisbury will announce at the cabinet meeting today a rapprochement between Great Britain and France and Russia.

The Westminster Gazette adds that the cabinet will also be informed of an effort, which it is hoped may yet be crowned with success, to reach a settlement with Venezuela. Contrary to the Westminster Gazette says.

This is complicated by internal revolutionary difficulties, but is being steadily prosecuted. If direct diplomatic relations could be established, there would be a good prospect of an agreement through the good offices of an American state, not the United States.

A sensational note will be published today stating that the British government has decided to submit to parliament full information in regard to the Transvaal and Venezuela. Consequently the United States Venezuelan commission will shortly have access to all the material points of the British case.

Transvaal Crisis Not Over.

A dispatch from Johannesburg, Transvaal, received today, but dated yesterday, says that the crisis in the Transvaal is not over. President Kruger and Sir Hercules Robinson, the governor of Cape Colony, have failed to agree upon a settlement of the matters in dispute.

It is understood that the president insisted upon the annulling of the convention of 1884, and that Amatongana, lately added to the territory of the colony of Natal, was to be included in the Transvaal. The president also insisted upon an indemnity for Dr. Jameson's raid into the Transvaal.

If these reports are true the gravity of the situation has increased, and the reason for the assembling of Great Britain's fleet may be found in the strained relations between the president of the Transvaal and the governor of Cape Colony. There are also signs that the Orange Free State and the Transvaal government will make common cause against Great Britain should there be further trouble, and the report of a secret understanding between Germany and the Transvaal continues to be repeated.

Details of Jameson's Raid.

A special dispatch from Cape Town, published today, says many details of Dr. Jameson's raid have been brought to light. Captain Thatch, who fought against the Boers with Jameson's freebooters and then escaped, disguised as a reporter.

The captain says that when Dr. Jameson tried to get round the Boer position, his men were dropping off their horses from exhaustion and the Boer raiders who suffered terribly from lack of water, and the Maxim rapid-fire guns became overheated. Dr. Jameson's flag was stuck in the ground by the freebooters, and a portion of the shirt of one of the wounded men, and was waved above their heads from the hand of a rifle without Jameson's consent. The latter cried like a child when the raiders surrendered, and the men loudly cursed the Rand Uitlanders for failing to stand by him.

A dispatch to the Pall Mall Gazette from Cape Town, published this afternoon, says that President Kruger has extended the time for the disarmament of the Uitlanders at Johannesburg until 6 o'clock tonight, as only three out of forty Maxim guns have been given up. President Kruger's eldest grandson, it is added, nearly caused a riot at Johannesburg. He rode into the town at the head of a small body of burghers, and fired blank cartridges right and left. The authorities promptly stopped his display, and sent him back to Krugersdorp. An announcement saying it regretted Eloff's escape.

Jameson Deposed.

CAPE TOWN, Africa, January 11.—A proclamation issued by Sir Hercules Robinson, governor of Cape Colony, removes Dr. Jameson from the position of administrator of Mafekingland. He is replaced by Mr. P. J. Newell, secretary of the British colony of Bechuanaland.

Delegates from the Orange Free State have been sent to the Transvaal to confer with the government of the republic as to the steps to be taken in the event of the Orange Free State being asked to assist the Transvaal.

It has been reported to the government at Pretoria, capital of the Orange Free State, that documents have been discovered showing that a widespread plot existed against the Transvaal.

Governor Robinson, however, is absolved from all knowledge of the matter.

PRETORIA, South African Republic, January 10.—President Kruger has issued an order prohibiting the Rand people asking them to behave in the future in such a way as to admit of the introduction of reforms.

JOHANNESBURG, January 9.—A feeling of great uneasiness, accompanied by depression, prevails here. It is understood that the Uitlanders' reform committee is to be tried for high treason before the high court of Pretoria. Several members of the committee have fled, and one of them was allowed to depart after depositing a surety for his appearance when called upon. The amount deposited was \$100,000. The government is greatly incensed at the tardy and incomplete surrender by the Uitlanders of their arms, which it is believed are being concealed. Only about 2,000 rifles have been given up, whereas 20,000 are said to have been issued.

Back Down for England.

Senor Jose Andrade, the Venezuelan minister to the United States, was shown the cablegram to the effect that Great Britain, according to the Westminster Gazette, was about to renew the effort to re-establish

BENEFIT AND DAMAGE

Jury's Award in Denison and Leighton's Subdivision.

A CAREFUL AND PAINSTAKING REPORT

Gross Indemnity of \$253,473, With \$126,736 Benefits.

THE NET RESULT

The jury of seven appraisers in case 419, Denison and Leighton's subdivision of Mt. Pleasant, the first of the forty-seven subdivisions embraced within section 1 of the approved plan of street extension heard, submitted their findings to Judge Cox in the District Court this morning. Judge Cox directed the report to be filed, and after swearing the jury in case 443, University Park subdivision, adjourned the further consideration of the report until Monday morning.

The report of the jury was made by Foreman Louis D. Wine, who explained to the court that they had done the very best they could, and that if any mistakes had been made, they would be found in the errors of the head, and not of the heart. Judge Cox remarked that the jury had, no doubt, well performed a most difficult and trying duty, and were entitled to the thanks of the court.

The total amount awarded by the jury as compensation to landowners for land taken is \$190,167.26. Compensation for buildings taken, \$55,750. Damages to lands, \$12,500. Amount of special and general indemnity assessed against all land in the subdivision, \$126,736.25. Total amount of the total amount awarded.

Text of the Report.

The report in full is as follows:

Parcel.	Compensation for Land Taken.	Benefits.	Award Less Benefits.
44.	\$4,893.50	\$1,614.85	\$3,278.74
45.	252.87	252.87	0.00
46.	125.00	125.00	0.00
47.	98.08	98.08	0.00
48.	1,015.07	712.05	303.02
49.	3,914.04	2,009.00	1,904.04
50.	1,008.50	2,250.25	1,241.75
51.	371.50	371.50	0.00
52.	409.80	409.80	0.00
53.	448.00	448.00	0.00
54.	1,074.50	1,074.50	0.00
55.	1,122.50	1,122.50	0.00
56.	1,062.70	180.30	882.40
57.	7,582.80	1,400.00	6,182.80
58.	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00
59.	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00
60.	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00
61.	18,000.00	0.00	18,000.00
62.	6,300.00	2.88	6,297.12
63.	5,287.05	8,104.00	2,816.95
64.	4,425.00	4,425.00	0.00
65.	3,475.00	270.70	3,204.30
66.	3,028.85	0.00	3,028.85
67.	3,417.37	1,329.15	2,088.22
68.	6,003.00	81.92	5,921.08
69.	1,019.29	81.92	937.37
70.	1,457.54	1,215.00	242.54
71.	365.70	365.70	0.00
72.	357.90	357.90	0.00
73.	1,372.72	1,259.00	113.72
74.	1,982.72	1,400.00	582.72
75.	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
76.	5,025.00	0.00	5,025.00
77.	1,130.00	0.00	1,130.00
78.	3,110.72	0.00	3,110.72
79.	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
80.	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
81.	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
82.	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
83.	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
84.	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
85.	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
86.	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
87.	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
88.	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
89.	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
90.	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
91.	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
92.	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
93.	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
94.	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
95.	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
96.	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
97.	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
98.	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
99.	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
100.	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00

The Jury Assessed Against the Respective

parcels of land embraced within the subdivision, as 50 per cent of the amount fixed as special and general indemnity, as follows:

Parcel 44, \$2,936.02; E. 47, \$1,614.85; 48, \$1,250.00; 49, \$3,914.04; 50, \$1,008.50; 51, \$371.50; 52, \$409.80; 53, \$448.00; 54, \$1,074.50; 55, \$1,122.50; 56, \$1,062.70; 57, \$7,582.80; 58, \$2,500.00; 59, \$2,500.00; 60, \$2,500.00; 61, \$18,000.00; 62, \$6,300.00; 63, \$5,287.05; 64, \$4,425.00; 65, \$3,475.00; 66, \$3,028.85; 67, \$3,417.37; 68, \$6,003.00; 69, \$1,019.29; 70, \$1,457.54; 71, \$365.70; 72, \$357.90; 73, \$1,372.72; 74, \$1,982.72; 75, \$1,500.00; 76, \$5,025.00; 77, \$1,130.00; 78, \$3,110.72; 79, \$1,000.00; 80, \$1,000.00; 81, \$1,000.00; 82, \$1,000.00; 83, \$1,000.00; 84, \$1,000.00; 85, \$1,000.00; 86, \$1,000.00; 87, \$1,000.00; 88, \$1,000.00; 89, \$1,000.00; 90, \$1,000.00; 91, \$1,000.00; 92, \$1,000.00; 93, \$1,000.00; 94, \$1,000.00; 95, \$1,000.00; 96, \$1,000.00; 97, \$1,000.00; 98, \$1,000.00; 99, \$1,000.00; 100, \$1,000.00.

To Validate Deeds.

A bill to validate deeds in the District of Columbia has been introduced in the Senate by Mr. Gorman, providing that all acknowledgments of deeds heretofore made by any married woman and recorded for land in the District of Columbia be validated and the record thereof made evidence whether or not it should appear that any such acknowledgment was made privily and apart from the husband.

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VENEZUELAN COMMISSION

First Full Meeting Held Today at the State Department.

Secretary Olney Meets and Spends Some Time With the Commissioners—Choosing a Secretary.

The Venezuelan boundary commission held a meeting in the diplomatic room of the State Department today. All the members were present, including Prof. A. D. White, who arrived here last evening from Ithaca, N. Y. He was the first member to put in an appearance and he took occasion to say his respects to Secretary Olney. While they were chatting Messrs. Brewer, Alvey, Cordot and Gilman arrived and without losing any time in empty formalities, the commissioners repaired to the diplomatic chamber and entered at once on the consideration of the important business with which they are charged.

The session began promptly at 10:30 o'clock and lasted continuously without a break until 11 o'clock, when the secretary, Mr. Olney, adjourned the session. Mr. Olney, who is constantly engaged with his regular official duties, it became necessary to select some one else temporarily to discharge the duties of secretary of the commission. Mr. Frederick Haig, private secretary to Mr. Olney, was chosen to act as secretary, and acted in that capacity at today's meeting.

The principal business of today's session was the selection of a permanent secretary and his assistants, including translators, etc. It developed that there was a conflict of opinion as to the best man for the position. The members of the commission were divided into two camps. One camp was in favor of Mr. Olney, who was regarded as one of the first of the commission, and the other camp was in favor of Mr. Haig, who was regarded as one of the best of the commission. The matter was referred to the secretary, who will devote much of the work of organizing the working force of the commission.

It was the original intention to have held a morning and an afternoon session, but this plan was abandoned in favor of a single session. About 1:30 o'clock Secretary Olney was invited into the room and spent nearly half an hour with the Commissioners.

THE FREE LIBRARY.

Subcommittee to Consider It All Favorably Disposed.

Senator McMillan, chairman of the committee on the District of Columbia, today appointed a subcommittee to make a report on his bill introduced in the Senate December 30. "To establish and provide for the maintenance of a free public library and reading room in the District of Columbia." This subcommittee consists of Mr. McMillan, chairman; Messrs. Hansbrough and Wetmore.

Messrs. Hansbrough and Wetmore are members of the committee on the library and the experience of both is as to make them thoroughly alive to the necessities of every great city for a library. Mr. McMillan is on record as being earnest in favor of the bill. All the members of the subcommittee are believed to be in favor of the bill and a favorable report on it is expected at an early day, when it will be considered by the full committee on the District of Columbia.

STOPPED UNTIL SPRING.

Cold Weather Prevents Conduit Building—Ninth Street Cars to Be Heated.

The continued cold weather has caused a cessation of the work upon the new electric system which is being placed upon the main branch of the Metropolitan Railroad Company, and it will not be taken up again until spring. It was found that the concrete work of the car track, which is composed largely of cement, would not set if laid when the temperature was down low, but would crumble and break; consequently it was deemed best to discontinue work altogether. It was expected when the conduit was commenced that the new system would be in place and in operation from 15th street northeast to the city